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§11–207.

(a) In a civil infraction proceeding:

(1) the court shall confirm that the defendant has received a copy of and understands the charges;

(2) the defendant may enter a plea of guilty or not guilty;

(3) the court shall apply the evidentiary standards provided by law for the trial of a criminal case;

(4) the defendant may:

(i) cross-examine witnesses;

(ii) produce evidence or witnesses on the defendant's behalf;

(iii) testify; and

(iv) be represented by counsel of the defendant's own choice and at the defendant's expense; and

(5) the burden of proof is the same as required by law in the trial of a criminal case.

(b) The court may:

(1) enter a verdict of guilty or not guilty; or

(2) before entering a verdict, place the defendant on probation in the same manner as allowed in the trial of a criminal case.

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